

Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Board Meeting

April 13, 2012 – 10:00 am

Nebraska Global

151 N 8th St - Suite 300

Lincoln, NE 68508

Officers Present

President	Pat Larson	Yes
President-Elect	Nathan Watermeier	Yes
Past-President	Jeff McReynolds	No
Secretary	Shaula Ross	Yes
Treasurer	Eric Kriener	Yes

Board Members Present

Board Member	Mike Schwab	Yes
Board Member	Mike Murphy	Yes
Board Member	Corey Gandara	Yes
Board Member	Mike Preston	Yes
Board Member	Doug Guess	Yes
Board Member	Adam Darbro	No

Others Present

Jack Dohrman (GIS Workshop)

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - a. Review agenda (corrections/additions/deletions)
2. Review & approve previous meeting's minutes
3. Financial Report +/-
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Website
 - b. Scholarship - Expand to include 'enrolled'?
 - c. Education
 - d. User groups - Any movement on LOAG?
 - e. Nebraska GIS Council
5. Goals 2012-2013
6. Corporate Memberships?
7. Annual Meeting
 - a. Schedule - <http://www.gislis.org/annual.html>
8. Other Business
9. Next Board Meeting - May 22nd - ANNUAL MEETING - Norfolk
 - a. June 15 - 10am - Lincoln

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:05am by Pat Larson. No changes to the Agenda.

Review and Approve previous meeting's minutes

Mike Preston moved to approve the March meeting minutes. Nathan Watermeier seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Financial Report

There was interest of \$0.32 on the checking account. Expenses since last meeting include \$100 for lunch and \$31 for Merchant Services. The checking account balance was \$42,498.10.

Committee Reports

Website

There is a plan to rollout the new Forum page on the website at the Annual meeting in May. Permission settings are currently being tested. The annual meeting page has been updated.

Scholarship

The current scholarship committee members are Nathan Watermeier, Eric Kriener and Mike Schwab. We have received one scholarship application from a Masters student at UNL. There was discussion on what paperwork is acceptable as an indication that a student is enrolled. Money awarded for approved scholarship applications is to go directly to the school, so we need to verify which office the money should be submitted to.

Education

Nothing new to report. The board is still looking for a chair for this committee.

User Groups

Lincoln Omaha Users Group (LOAG) may schedule meetings in June along with some other meetings that are being planned.

Nebraska GIS Council

Nathan Watermeier stated that they are currently mid-way through the Strategic Planning process. Strategic plan goals are in review. A series of meetings with State Agencies continues. There are plans to have a workshop with Directors of State Agencies in June. Four main working groups have been identified, these include: Land Records, Nebraska Geospatial Data Sharing and Web Services, Street Centerline-Address Database, and Historical Imagery. All of the groups except Street Centerline have met.

The GIS Council was created by Statute. A technical group makes recommendations to the Council. They are looking at adding seats to the council including Deputy Assessor and State Patrol. There are currently three open seats on the Council. There have

been several nominations submitted for the openings. They are hoping to get some nominations that are from the Western region of the state.

Mike Preston noted that they are trying to validate information they have received through the strategic planning process and working on how to move things forward. It is key that the membership be involved. There were a great number of respondents to the survey which is encouraging. However, based on survey responses it is evident that the Council needs to work on ways to better communicate and to get out there and known. They are working on getting in touch with some of the groups that have not been as involved in the past, such as, Assessors, Surveyors and those in the Western region of the state.

Nathan said that the Office of the CIO is working to build business plans. Major customers would be State Agencies. They are looking at an Enterprise Content Management System to share services. They will be working on discovering who is the main audience and how to market to it. There will be an update on the Strategic Planning efforts at the GIS/LIS Association annual meeting in May.

Goals 2012-2013

Nathan Watermeier handed out some information for the board to review on thoughts for goals in the coming year. A quick recap of some the goals include: Establish new partnerships and shared activities with other state associations; Promote user groups where they are successful and evaluate the role of other user groups where there has been no activity; Provide and promote opportunities for training and education; Promote and identify student involvement and scholarship; Deliver quality 2013 biennial Symposium in Kearney; Promote and use the new online discussion forum on our website.

Corporate Membership

Mike Preston checked in to how GITA (Geospatial Information and Technology Association) deals with Corporate memberships. He found that they packaged some things together for meeting/symposium purposes, but that association memberships were tied to individuals. There was discussion about possibly tying corporate membership with corporate sponsorships for the symposium. The board will further review how the handle corporate requests and have a goal to put something together by the end of the year.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2012 in Norfolk at the Lifelong Learning Center. The board reviewed the planned schedule for the annual meeting. Sign-in and breakfast will begin at 8:30am. The business meeting will start at 9am. Following the business meeting there will be presentations on LiDAR, 4H and GIS, and State of NE GIS/Geospatial Strategic Plan. Lunch will be provided at noon. The agenda and link to RSVP are on the website at <http://www.gislis.org/annual.html>.

Other Business

There is a Strategic Plan teleconference meeting coming up next week on April 18 in Kearney. Following the meeting there will be discussion on Symposium. The meeting will be held at the County Office Building in Kearney.

Next Board Meeting(s)

The next Board meeting is the Annual meeting on May 22nd in Norfolk. The next scheduled meeting after the annual meeting will be June 15th at 10am in Lincoln.

Adjourned

The board meeting closed at 11:40am.

Shaula Ross: Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Secretary